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EMBASSY PLEASE PASS ERDA REP HENOC

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF L. SHAO TO DISCUSS STEAM GENERATOR
PERFORMANCE

1. SUMMARY: REQUEST EMBASSY ASSISTANCE WITH ARRANGEMENTS
FOR VISIT OF L. SHAO, NRC, FOR DISCUSSIONS IN TOKYO AND AT
MIHAMA REACTOR SITE ON STEAM GENERATOR OPERATING PERFORMANCE.
END SUMMARY.

2. L. SHAO, CHIEF, ENGINEERING BRANCH, IN NRC OPERATING
REACTOR LICENSING ORGANIZATION, WILL BE IN TOKYO MAY 22-29,
1977, AS PARTICIPANT OF JOINT MEETING OF US-JAPAN PANEL ON
WIND AND SEISMIC EFFECTS. FOLLOWING THIS MEETING, HE
WISHES TO DISCUSS STEAM GENERATOR OPERATING EXPERIENCE
DURING THE PERIOD MAY 30 - JUNE 1.

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3. EMBASSY ERDA REP REQUESTED TO CONTACT MATSUDA OF STA
AND ASK FOR APPOINTMENT ON MAY 30 FOR SHAO WITH APPROPRIATE
GOVERNMENT EXPERTS TO DISCUSS STEAM GENERATOR OPERATING
EXPERIENCE INCLUDING WATER CHEMISTRY, TUBE WASTAGE, TUBE
PLUGGING AND TUBE DENTING. SHAO WILL HAVE RECENT NRC
REPORTS, WHICH ADDRESS U.S. STEAM GENERATOR PROBLEMS, TO BE

GIVEN TO JAPANESE. ADDITIONALLY, PLEASE REQUEST MEETING
AND DISCUSSION ON SAME TOPIC WITH UTILITY REPRESENTATIVES

OF KEPCO AT MIHAMA REACTOR SITE. MAY 31 AND/OR JUNE 1
ARE ACCEPTABLE FOR THIS MEETING. SHAO WILL RETURN TO
U.S. FOLLOWING UTILITY VISIT.

4. DURING RECENT VISIT, DR. K. TAKETANI OF JAERI PROVIDED
PHOTOS OF MICROGRAPHS OF MIHAMA 1 FUEL TO NRC. AT THAT
TIME TAKETANI INDICATED THAT ADDITIONAL PHOTOS AND
POSSIBLY REPORTS WERE AVAILABLE AND WOULD BE SENT TO NRC.
SINCE WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED THESE YET, ERDA REP ASKED TO
DISCUSS WITH MATSUDA, AND IF MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE
SHAO CAN RETURN THEM TO U.S.

5. PLEASE INFORM MATSUDA THAT THE CONDITIONS OF THE 1974
AEC-MITI-STA ARRANGEMENT FOR EXCHANGE OF REGULATORY
INFORMATION AS SUPPLEMENTED BY MR. GOSSICK'S LETTER OF
FEBRUARY 23, 1976, TO MR. MASATO YAMANO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR
GENERAL, JAEB, WILL GOVERN THE PROTECTION OF ANY INFOR-
MATION THAT MUST BE GIVEN IN CONFIDENCE. ALL INFORMATION
PROVIDED TO SHAO SHOULD BE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS TO
WHETHER IT CAN BE RELEASED OR SHOULD BE PROTECTED BY NRC
FROM DISCLOSURE.

6. SHAO WILL HAVE ROOM IN TOKYO THROUGH MAY 31. YOUR
ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE ON TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS TO MIHAMA
SITE ARE REQUESTED.

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7. BECAUSE SHAO DEPARTS U.S. ON MAY 20, NRC REQUESTS
EARLY CABLE RESPONSE, PLEASE PASS TO FAULKNER, NRC,
CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS, ITINERARY AND RESERVATION OF
SINGLE WITH BATH AT REACTOR SITE. IF INFORMATION NOT
RECEIVED PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE, SHAO WILL CONTACT HENOCH
IN TOKYO DURING WEEK OF MAY 23. CHRISTOPHER

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